



Boot Camp for New Life, Health, and Disability Lawyers

Essential information about life, health, disability, and ERISA litigation for young lawyers and lawyers who are new to this area

Program speakers collectively have decades of experience litigating life, health, disability, and ERISA disputes throughout the United States

Excellent marketing opportunity for young lawyers who want to meet colleagues practicing throughout the country



November 10, 2017

Hinshaw & Culbertson LLP | Chicago, IL

The DRI Life, Health and Disability Committee is once again

sponsoring a program for lawyers who are new to the practice. The program will be taught by highly experienced attorneys and will be aimed at providing a basic understanding of the concepts applicable to life, health, and disability litigation. This program receives rave reviews each year that it is held. Young lawyers and more experienced attorneys who are new to the practice or who wish to brush up on their skills are encouraged to attend! To encourage the classroom atmosphere, registration will be limited to 50 persons.



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What You Will Learn


- Basic policy provisions in individual and group life insurance
- Basic policy provisions in individual and group disability insurance
- ERISA basics as they apply to life, health, and disability litigation
- Strategies for the defense of life, health, and disability litigation

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PROGRAM SCHEDULE

Click on any speaker name to view bio.

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 9

5:30 p.m. **Welcome Reception** at Pearl Tavern, 180 N. Upper Wacker Dr.

6:30 p.m. **Dine-Arounds** | Join colleagues at selected restaurants for dinner (*on your own*). More details on-site.

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 10

Hinshaw & Culbertson LLP


222 N. LaSalle Street, Suite 300, Chicago, IL

7:15 a.m. **Registration**

7:15 a.m. **Continental Breakfast**

7:45 a.m. **Welcome and Opening Remarks**

Mark E. Schmidtke, *Ogletree Deakins Nash Smoak & Stewart PC*, Valparaiso, IN

 **Gary Schuman**, *Combined Insurance Company of America*, Chicago, IL


8:00 a.m. **Life Insurance Policy Basics**

Hear a discussion of life insurance coverage, insurable interest, STOLI, and accidental death coverage.

Elizabeth G. Doolin, *Chittenden Murday & Novotny LLC*, Chicago, IL

8:45 a.m. **Accidental Death and Dismemberment Insurance Basics**


This session will include a discussion of the basic concepts concerning accidental death and dismemberment and the applicability of policy exclusions pertaining thereto.

 **Gary Schuman**, *Combined Insurance Company of America*, Chicago, IL

E. Ford Stephens, *Christian & Barton LLP*, Richmond, VA

9:30 a.m. **Disability Insurance Basics**

Learn the differences between group and individual disability insurance policy clauses, defenses, and bad faith.

 **Julie K. Bolt**, *The Standard Insurance Company*, Portland, OR

Linda M. Lawson, *Meserve Mumper & Hughes LLP*, Los Angeles, CA

10:15 a.m. **Refreshment Break**



Denotes **THE DRI CLIENT CONNECTION**: In-house and claims professional speakers

- 10:30 a.m. **Analyzing the Claim File and Preparing for Litigation**
Hear practical tips for the life, health, and disability defense lawyer.
Joshua Bachrach, *Wilson Elser Moskowitz Edelman & Dicker LLP*, Philadelphia, PA
Byrne J. Decker, *Pierce Atwood LLP*, Portland, ME
- 11:30 a.m. **Lunch (on-site)**
- 12:00 p.m. **Rescission of Life, Health, and Disability Coverage**
Learn about complex life insurance actions to rescind coverage and resolve conflicting claims for benefits.
D. Larry Kristinik III, *Nelson Mullins Riley & Scarborough LLP*, Columbia, SC
- 12:45 p.m. **ERISA Litigation Primer**
This session will discuss the substantive and procedural legal issues that apply in ERISA-governed life, health, and disability litigation.
Mark E. Schmidtke, *Ogletree Deakins Nash Smoak & Stewart PC*, Valparaiso, IN
- 2:30 p.m. **Refreshment Break**
- 2:45 p.m. **Depositions of Plaintiffs and Insurance Company Representatives**
Gain step-by-step advice for defending insurance company representative during depositions.
Leonor (Leo) M. Lagomasino, *Hinshaw & Culbertson LLP*, Coral Gables, FL
- 4:00 p.m. **Adjourn**

FACULTY

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Seminar Location

Hinshaw & Culbertson LLP, 222 N. LaSalle Street, Suite 300, Chicago, IL 60601, 312.704.3000.

CLE Accreditation

This seminar has been approved for MCLE credit by the State Bar of California for up to **7.0** hours. Accreditation has been requested from every state with mandatory continuing legal education (CLE) requirements. Certificates of attendance will be provided to each attendee. Attendees are responsible for obtaining CLE credits from their respective states. Credit

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Registration Policy

The registration fee is \$250 for members and nonmembers. The registration fee includes course materials, continental breakfast, refreshment breaks, lunch and networking reception. If you wish to have your name appear on the registration list distributed at the conference and receive the course materials in advance, DRI must receive your registration by **October 17, 2017** (*please allow 10 days for processing*). Registrations received after **October 17, 2017**, will be processed on-site.

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Visit the **Life, Health and Disability**

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Defense Library Series

The Law of Life Insurance: Key Issues in Each State (2017)



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Diversity is a core value at DRI. Indeed, diversity, which includes sexual orientation, is fundamental to the success of the organization, and we seek out and embrace the innumerable benefits and contributions that the perspectives, backgrounds, cultures, and life experiences a diverse membership provides.

Inclusiveness is the chief means to increase the diversity of DRI's membership and leadership positions. DRI's members and potential leaders are often also members and leaders of other defense organizations. Accordingly, DRI encourages all national, state, and local defense organizations to promote diversity and inclusion in their membership and leadership.

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*For inclusion on the preregistration list and to receive course materials in advance, register by **October 17, 2017**.*

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